

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete, marked up listing of revised claims with a status identifier in parentheses, underlined text indicating insertions, and strikethrough and/or double brackets indicating deletions.

Listing of the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A water-based inkjet printer ink comprising at least a colorant and a resin, wherein said resin is a block copolymer comprising at least one hydrophilic block and at least one hydrophobic block, each of said blocks is a vinyl ether polymer, wherein said block copolymer is obtained by polymerizing vinyl ethers as monomers by using at least one aluminum compound selected from the group consisting of tripropylaluminum, triisopropylaluminum, and aluminum compounds as Ziegler-Natta catalysts.~~and said ink further comprises aluminum or an aluminum compound.~~

2. (Original) A water-based inkjet printer ink according to claim 1, wherein said aluminum compound contained in said block copolymer is adjusted such that a molar ratio of said block copolymer resin to said~~aluminum or~~aluminum compound contained in said block copolymer is from 1:5 to 10,000:3.

3. (Original) A water-based inkjet printer ink according to claim 1, wherein said aluminum compound contained in said block copolymer is adjusted such that a molar ratio of said resin-block polymer to said~~aluminum or~~aluminum compound contained in said block polymer is from 100:6 to 1,000:3.

4. (Original) A water-based inkjet printer ink according to claim 1, wherein said block copolymer has a number average molecular weight of from 500 to 20,000,000.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Original) A water-based inkjet printer ink according to claim 1, wherein said colorant is an oil-soluble dye.

7. (Currently Amended) An inkjet recording process wherein an image is formed by an inkjet recording system while using ~~an~~ a water-based inkjet printer ink according to claim 1.

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